## **Energy Commission Meeting 6/22/10**

## In Attendance:

Commission Members: Sam Cleaves, Linda Brayton, Tom Balf

City staff: Susan St. Pierre

Public attendees:

## **Discussion Items:**

Minutes from May, 2010 meeting were approved.

- No public comments were made.
- Wind Feasibility Grant Study- Susan St. Pierre reported that the City had received a \$50,130 grant to conduct a wind feasibility siting study for city owned land at the Blackburn Industrial Park.
- Site Assessments

Susan reported that applications were submitted May 21, 2010 for Magnolia Woods & Bond Hill. Gloucester is 1<sup>st</sup> in the queue. We are waiting for information from City Solicitor regarding conservation restrictions – needed before assessment begins. Timeline is 1 week for completeness review; consultant then performs desktop analysis and if wind resource is suitable a 45 day site assessment follows. Process concludes with a report and conference call between the CEC, consultant and applicant (about one week after assessment is complete).

 Green Communities Status-The committee reviewed our status with regards to adoption of the Green Communities Act. See chart below taken from June 22, 2010 staff report:

Task 1 As of Right Siting	Date to be Completed
1A: Obtain certified letter from City Solicitor, and finalize paperwork for submission to DOER	March 2010 - DONE
Task 2 Expedited Permitting	
Complete	N/A DONE
Task 3 Energy Use Baseline Inventory & Reduction Plan	
3A: Gathering energy-use information for municipal buildings & streetlights	Scheduled – Feb. 2010/ Revised - April 2010 Revised June 2010
3B: Incorporate all FY2009 energy use data collected in Step 3A into Portfolio Manager and STOCC	Scheduled – March 2010/ Revised - April 2010
3C: Generate energy use baseline for FY2009 on an MMBTU-basis, including building data from Portfolio Manager and streetlight and vehicle data from STOCC	Scheduled – Feb. 2010/ Revised - April 2010 Revised – June 2010
3D: Develop a comprehensive plan to reduce energy use by 20 percent by FY2014 from FY2009 levels, as measured in Step 3C	April-July 2010
3E: Mayor signs plan; City Council approval (recommended)	August 2010
3F: Conduct municipal energy-use and efficiency audit	September 2010
3G: Prepare baseline and Plan for submission to DOER	September 2010
Task 4 Policy to Purchase Only Fuel Efficient Vehicles	

4A: Write vehicle purchasing policy	Scheduled - March 2010/ Draft complete
4B: Develop vehicle inventory and vehicle replacement plan	Scheduled - March 2010/ Revised - Under review by M.C. and B.Tneed additional information from Mark Cole,
4C: Mayor signs policy	Scheduled - April 2010/ Revised - June 2010
Task 5 Minimize life-cycle Costs in Energy Construction	
5A: Contractor Forum #1 energy stretch code (2-11-10)	February 11, 2010 DONE
5B: Contractor Forum # 2 energy stretch code (3-18-2010)	February-March 2010 <b>DONE</b>
5C: Identify and solicit support from key stakeholder builders	Scheduled - March 2010/ Revised - May 2010
5D: Community Forum #	
5E: City Council Presentation	See below 2010
5E: Submission of energy stretch code to Council and Council approval	Sent with Mayors Report 6-28-10. CC will receive on 6-22-1- meeting. Refer to O & A Committee – likely will meet Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

- <u>Stretch Code-</u>The Committee discussed its upcoming Stretch Code meeting on June 28 and decided to give an overview presentation using the Question and Answer sheet developed by Susan St. Pierre and the CEC.
- <u>Street Lights</u>-Tom indicated that there was nothing new to report on streetlights as
  we still have not received information on their status back from National Grid. The
  CEC members present voted to have Tom draft an information request letter, send
  it to the Mayor, and request that she use her office to request the information from
  National Grid.

## **Action Items:**

- CEC members will contact contractors and others to speak in favor of Stretch Code at full City Council meeting; date TBD.
- CEC members will attend June 29 O and A City Council hearing on Stretch Code.
- Tom will draft a letter for the Mayor's office to request status of streetlight information from National Grid.